

REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance of this application are respectfully requested in light of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks.

Claims 1 - 2, 4 - 5 and 16 - 28 are pending in the application. Claims 1 and 16 have been amended. Claim 3 has been cancelled. Claims 21 - 28 have been added. Claims 6 - 15 have been restricted from the application.

Applicant hereby submits the formal drawings in the attached Submission of Formal Drawings.

The rejections set forth in Paper No. 10 are moot in view of the amendments and the application is in condition for allowance.

In view of the foregoing amendments and comments, Applicant respectfully requests an early Notice of Allowance in the instant application.

Respectfully submitted,



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